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**DECISION NOTICE FOR:
ROSEBUD EAST FISHING ACCESS SITE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS**

Proposed Action

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) proposes to construct an ADA-compliant, handicap-accessible fishing pier at Rosebud East Fishing Access Site (FAS) to accommodate the needs of handicap visitors to the popular and heavily used site.

Montana Environmental Policy Act

FWP is required by the Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) to assess potential impacts of a proposed action to the human and physical environment. In compliance with MEPA, an Environmental Assessment (EA) was completed for the proposed project by FWP and released for public comment on May 28, 2019.

Public comments on the proposed project were taken from May 28, 2019 through June 17, 2019. The EA was provided to interested parties, advertised in local papers and posted on www.fwp.mt.gov.

Summary of Public Comment

FWP received two public comments regarding and favoring the proposed action.

Decision

Based on the EA on which two favorable public comments were received and FWP's evaluation, it is my decision to proceed with FWP's proposed action which states FWP will construct an ADA-compliant, handicap accessible fishing pier at Rosebud East FAS in Forsyth MT. I find there to be no significant impacts to the human and physical environments associated with this project.

FWP will improve the handicap-accessibility of Rosebud East FAS by constructing an 8' X 28' handicap-accessible fishing pier, parking area, and concrete sidewalk to the fishing pier between the boat ramp and diversion dam. The pier will be constructed of steel and concrete material and connected to an adjacent existing concrete pad used as a picnic area. The pier rail system will be designed to be removable to prevent damaged from flood waters and ice events. FWP also has plans to construct an ADA parking area and concrete sidewalk to improve access to the pier.

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